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SUBJECT: W/W - ROBERT S. LANGER

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ACCORDING TO DR. TALWAR'S CURRENT DIAGNOSIS, MR. LANGER IS IN AN HEPATIC COMA AND RUNNING HIGH FEVER. DUE TO FURTHER DETERIORATION OF THE LIVER HE IS ALSO BLEEDING INTERNALLY. HIS CONDITION IS MOST CRITICAL.

DR. TALWAR IS IN FREQUENT COMMUNICATION WITH THE PATIENT'S BROTHER IN LOS ANGELES, AS WELL AS A LIVER SPECIALIST, DR. DERRING, THERE. AT THE BROTHER'S SUGGESTION, DR. TALWAR IS ATTEMPTING TO BRING DR. V.K. SHARMA OF THE ALL INDIA INSTITUTE OF MEDICAL SCIENCES, NEW DELHI TO THE HOSPITAL FOR CONSULTATION. FOLLOWING INITIAL TALK WITH DR. ROTH, DR. ETZEL, EMBASSY PHYSICIAN, HAS NOT BEEN INVOLVED IN FURTHER DISCUSSION BETWEEN PHYSICIANS AND BROTHER, BUT CONCURS IN DR. TALWAR'S ACTION IN REQUESTING CONSULTATION WITH DR. SHARMA.

THE PATIENT'S BROTHER, MICHAEL, EXPECTS TO ARRIVE IN NEW DELHI AT 3:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 30. HE PLANS TO CONSULT AGAIN WITH DR. TALWAR BEFORE DEPARTING LOS ANGELES.

MEDEVAC PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN DISCUSSED WITH ATTACHE OFFICE, AND AIRFORCE HAS BEEN ALERTED TO THIS POSSIBILITY. INFORMATION ON LIKELY HOSPITAL FOR EVACUATION AND ULTIMATE COST HAS BEEN REQUESTED HOWEVER, EVEN THOUGH THE FAMILY SHOULD REQUEST IT, DR. TALWAR FEELS THAT EVACUATION AT THIS POINT IS TOO RISKY. HE AND THE LOS
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ANGELES SPECIALIST SEEM TO BE IN AGREEMENT THAT ALL THAT IS

POSSIBLE IS NOW BEING DONE IN NEW DELHI FOR ROBERT LANGER.

CONOFF VIRGINIA CARSON HAS VISITED ROBERT LANGER EVERY DAY THIS
WEEK AND HAD BEEN TWICE TO SEE HIM PREVI-
OUSLY AS WELL. HE IS IN A PRIVATE ROOM WITH ROUND-THE-CLOCK NURSING.
IT APPEARS THAT HE IS GETTING ALL POSSIBLE CARE.MOYNIHAN

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